**“The possession of knowledge carries an ethical responsibility.” Evaluate this claim.**

- Knowledge is a great privilege to have, if you know something its easier. Knowledge requires responsibility as some knowledge may be dangerous to society and is rather kept secret. The possession of knowledge carries the responsibility of sharing ones knowledge depending on the situation.

-With this essay title I can discuss the idea of useless/bad knowledge and useful/helpful knowledge. The idea that knowledge can evolve from good intentions to unethical means, for example the invention of gunpowder was meant for mining operation but instead it was used as a way to kill people. Today knowledge is very much different to what it was 100 years ago, today the internet allows fast research of almost anything. The knowledge on the internet however also carries an ethical responsibility, knowing how to hack and shutting down websites is knowledge but telling everyone how to do it is unethical as it would result in many people taking down websites at will and destroying the user experience and usability of the internet for others.

-Another example of how knowledge has to be carefully handled is when your knowledge may harm other people, when you know the location of a sought after person then it has to be considered whether that information has to be shared, if the individual is claimed to a criminal then the information should be given. But if the person is known to be innocent then the personal morals of the person with the information has to consider whether lying will be an advantage to both or if the risks are to great. Ultimately knowledge is ethical responsibility but it has to be considered how many people are positively and or negatively affected.

- Do firemen who know how to fight fires have any ethical responsibilities to fight fires?

**In what ways may disagreement aid the pursuit of knowledge in the natural and human** **sciences?**

* If everyone agreed on every scientific finding then it would be chaos. Disagreement led to the pursuit of the one unique correct answer. A solution that is accepted by all (most) according to the current standings of science is only found if some people can disagree with logic proof.
* This essay will require me to define what a disagreement is, different perception of logical proof and result and the reasoning after the perception. The perception of experiments can result in different reasoning as to why something occurs. Disagreement in this can lead to more complex or helpful experiments as everyone wants to prove they are right and show why that is to everyone else. This will lead to many experiments, if the majority of the experiments show the same results and people reason equally then this may considered as knowledge.